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Hon. Katharine H. Parker, U.S.M.J.

7/23/2021

Re: Spectrum Dynamics Medical Limited v. GE; Case No.: 18-cv-11386 (VSB)

Dear Magistrate Judge Parker:

We represent Plaintiff Spectrum Dynamics Medical Limited ("Spectrum") in the above-captioned matter. On behalf of Spectrum and Defendant General Electric Company ("GE"), we write pursuant to Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 5.2(e), Your Honor's Individual Rule of Practice III(d), and the parties' Stipulated Confidentiality and Protective Order (the "Protective Order") (Doc. 156) to request that several passages contained in Document Number 300, the transcript of the parties' appearance before Your Honor on June 30, 2021, be redacted and filed under seal. The parties jointly respectfully request that before the transcript is made publicly available, the court reporter be directed to redact the passages highlighted on pages 24-26, 30, 33, and 35 as set forth in Exhibit 1 hereto.

The presumption of public access to judicial documents can be overcome if countervailing factors warrant confidentiality. See Lugosch v. Pyramid Co. of Onondaga, 435 F.3d 110, 120 (2d Cir. 2006); see also Nixon v. Warner Commc'ns Inc., 435 U.S. 589, 598 (1978). Sealing of records may be justified to preserve "higher values," including the need to protect an entity from competitive injury. Lugosch, 435 F.3d at 124; see also Tropical Sails Corp. v. Yext, Inc., No. 14-cv-7582, 2016 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 49029, at \*10-11 (S.D.N.Y. Apr. 12) (risk of "competitive injury is sufficiently serious to warrant protection" of proprietary business information). Consistent with this, courts routinely permit sealing and redaction of competitively sensitive proprietary business information. See, e.g., Louis Vuitton Malletier S.A. v. Sunny Merch. Corp.,

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97 F. Supp. 3d 485, 511 (S.D.N.Y. 2015); Encyclopedia Brown Prods., Ltd. v. Home Box Office. Inc., 26 F. Supp. 2d 606, 614 (S.D.N.Y. 1998); see also Nixon, 435 U.S. at 598 (recognizing need to seal information that might "harm a litigant's competitive standing").

Here, the discussions in the transcript concern documents containing internal GE information and communications that are not publicly available and confidential details of Spectrum's involvement in an unrelated third-party proceeding. This information is competitively sensitive and proprietary information of GE or Spectrum, respectively, that, if disclosed, would pose a substantial risk of harm to GE or Spectrum, and constitutes "Highly Confidential – Attorneys' Eyes Only" information under the Protective Order. (Doc. 156.). This is the sort of competitively sensitive information that courts consistently protect from disclosure. See, e.g., Ferring B.V. v. Allergan, Inc., No. 12-cv-2650, 2017 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 150239, at \*16 (S.D.N.Y. Sep. 7) (granting motion to seal documents containing proprietary information related to product development); Encyclopedia Brown, 26 F. Supp. 2d at 612 (sealing documents reflecting sensitive trade secret information). This is particularly the case where, as here, the information to be sealed was not relevant to the Court's resolution of any issue. Cf. Bernstein v. Bernstein Litowitz Berger & Grossman LLP, 814 F. 3d 132, 143 (2d Cir. 2016)(denying sealing request where documents were "highly relevant to the exercise of Article III judicial power").

The parties' request is narrowly tailored to protect highly confidential information and does not deprive the public of access to critical information. The parties respectfully request that the Court permit the requested reductions in the publicly available version of the June 30, 2021 transcript (Doc. 300).

Respectfully submitted,

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cc: All counsel of record (via ECF) {J734902 04884221.DOCX}

# Exhibit 1

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

SUBJECT TO PROTECTIVE ORDER: HIGHLY CONFIDENTIAL

In re:

Docket #1:18-cv-11386-

SPECTRUM DYNAMICS MEDICAL LIMITED, : VSB-KHP

Plaintiff,

- against -

GENERAL ELECTRIC COMPANY, et al., : New York, New York

June 30, 2021

Defendants.

TELEPHONE CONFERENCE

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PROCEEDINGS BEFORE THE HONORABLE JUDGE KATHARINE H. PARKER, UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE

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              THE CLERK:
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    Dynamics Medical versus General Electric Company; the
    Honorable Katharine H. Parker, presiding.
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              Beginning with counsel for the plaintiffs, can you
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   please make your appearance for the record?
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             MR. GREGORY MILLER: Good morning, Gregory Miller
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   Rivkin Radler, on behalf of the plaintiff. And also with me
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    from the law firm of Greenblum & Bernstein, we have Neil
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    Greenblum, Branko Pejic, Jill Browning, and Danielle
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    Pfifferling.
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              HONORABLE KATHARINE H. PARKER (THE COURT):
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    morning.
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             MR. MILLER: Good morning.
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              THE CLERK: And counsel for the defendants, can
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    you please make your appearance for the record?
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             MS. MARLA BUTLER: Yes, this is Marla Butler from
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    Thompson Hine, and with me are my colleagues, Jeff Metzcar,
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    Jesse Jenike-Godshalk and Brian Lanciault, also from Thompson
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    Hine for the defendants.
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              THE COURT: Welcome. So as a reminder, I ask you to
    keep your phones on mute unless you're speaking to eliminate
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    background noise, and to state your names before you speak for
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    the benefit of any court reporter who is asked to transcribe
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    the recording of today's conference. Also, I want to remind
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1	PROCEEDINGS 5
2	you that the court's conference line is open to the press and
3	public on a listen only basis and that court rules prohibit
4	others from recording and rebroadcasting court conferences.
5	Violations of this rule may result in sanctions.
6	So welcome, everyone, I hope you had a good June, I
7	can't believe it's already July. I am not sure whether it was
8	docketed yet but we are going to be able to convert these
9	conferences to in person conferences because of the changing
10	Covid protocol, and so I think that will be a good thing for
11	the counsel to get together, to see each other and to see the
12	Court in person. So that's going to be coming out.
13	You have a lot of items on your agenda letter. I'm
14	not sure we can get through all of them today, but I
15	understand from your more recent letter that you resolved some
16	of the items at your meet and confer on Monday. So why don't
17	we start with Spectrum's topics and then we'll move on to GE's
18	topics, does that sound good?
19	MR. MILLER: Very good, Your Honor.
20	MS. BUTLER: Sounds good, Your Honor.
21	THE COURT: Okay, so I guess, first, as I
22	understand it, Spectrum still has concerns about the
23	discovery and the speed of discovery. I was under the
24	impression that GE was nearly complete with its
25	production, so what exactly is the issue?

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            MR. BRANKO PEJIC: This is Mr. Pejic, Your
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           The issue is we're not sure how many documents
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   are coming. In late April, we were told that there was
   about 10,000 documents to complete. Since then, GE has
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   produced about 23,000 documents which is almost 20
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   percent of their production. So it looks like that
   we're back loading discovery and we have no sense of
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   what's coming between here and July 15 while we're
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   trying to prepare for depositions. And so we'd like
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   some clarity from defendants on whether July 15 is a
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   realistic close of substantial, close of document discovery,
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   and potentially how many more documents are coming,
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   because we've already received twice as many as we
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   were anticipating.
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            THE COURT: Okay, so can somebody from GE
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   clarify what's going on?
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            MR. JESSE GODSHALK: Yes, Your Honor, this is
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   Mr. Godshalk, I'm happy to. I mean, you know, frankly,
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   I had spoken with opposing counsel about this earlier
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   this week and they asked me if I believed that we
   would substantially complete our production by July
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   15, and I said that we would. So I mean I have already
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   communicated that to opposing counsel.
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            With regard to what is still in the pipeline,
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1 PROCEEDINGS I told the Court and opposing counsel what was still 2 3 in the pipeline at the last conference. I'm happy to do that again and I'll tell you that what is in the pipeline currently, we are going to make or planning 5 to make another document production at the end of this 6 7 week. It will have about 5,000 documents. These are documents that were collected from Michael Gazinski 8 9 (phonetic) and George Mashour (phonetic), these are 10 the documents that were stuck in Israeli customs. We've, you know, since received those hard drives and 11 12 I think we've already produced some documents from 13 those custodians, but planning to produce the 14 remainder by the end of this week. 15 We have not yet produced the documents from 16 (indiscernible) Bar-Shalev (phonetic). We may also 17 have some additional documents in response to 18 Spectrum's sixth set of requests for production but I 19 don't expect that volume to be large. And as I 20 referenced during the last conference, we may have 21 some additional documents from our privilege review. But again, I do not expect that volume to be large. 22 23 With regard to the number of documents that we've produced since April 28, Your Honor, I did 24 25 provide an estimate at the April 28 conference that we

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   had 10,000 documents remaining. You know, that was a
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   good faith estimate but it wasn't a perfect
   calculation. And, furthermore, after I made that
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   estimate, Spectrum served an additional 28 document
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   requests and demanded that we collect documents from
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   additional custodians, including Mr. Bar-Shalev. And
   even now, in the most recent agenda letter, they're
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   demanding that we collect from an additional
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   custodian.
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            So I don't think Spectrum should be permitted
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   to demand that we produce more documents and then turn
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   around and request relief from the Court because the
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   number of documents that we've produced exceeds our
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   earlier estimates.
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            THE COURT: Right. Well the fact that you
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   produced more than you initially estimated is not
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   really a concern given that there's a continuing
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   document request and additional custodians. So I
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   understand it's just an estimate. Okay, well it
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   sounds like, regardless, you're going to be
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   substantially complete by July 15 except it sounds
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   like there's this other potential custodian. So I
   quess there's the Devine and Hodge Yia-Yia (phonetic).
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            MR. JESSE GODSHALK: Correct, Your Honor.
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            MR. PEJIC: Correct. Your Honor, this is Mr.
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   Pejic.
          We have I believe resolved the Mr. Hodge Yia-
   Yia issue. We had asked defendants to provide search
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   terms to narrow the 90,000 hits we received after deduping
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   and defendants gave us a set of search terms. We've run them
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   and we have somewhere around 13,000 to 15,000 documents to
   review and produce. So I think that that issue has been
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   resolved.
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             THE COURT: Okay, great, and when do you expect to
   be able to produce them, by July 15?
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             MR. PEJIC: Oh, certainly by then, Your Honor.
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             THE COURT: Okav, great. And what about
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   Devine. So he's in-house counsel to GE?
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            MR. PEJIC: Correct, Your Honor. This is Mr.
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   Pejic, correct, Your Honor.
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             THE COURT: Okay. So this all pertains to the
   claw back issue that's pending before the Court, is
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   that right?
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             MR. PEJIC: Very much, Your Honor.
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             THE COURT: Okay. So why don't you summarize
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   your position, Mr. Pejic, and then I'll hear from GE
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   on this.
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             MR. PEJIC: Our position is, and this was
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   drafted before receiving defendant's response to the
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   claw back, but it still remains true that there are no
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   entries on the privilege log that would evidence
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   anything as far as a request for legal advice from Mr.
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   Devine or him providing any such information. And the
   problem there is that Mr. Hefetz who was the recipient
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   of this information, he is a custodian and presumably
   his documents have been searched and produced. We've
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   received about 2,000 documents from him as a
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   custodian, but any documents that he had that evidence
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   those discussions with Mr. Devine are not on the
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   privilege log. And so we believe it would be
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   appropriate for GE to search Mr. Devine's records
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   because as an in-house counsel he wears two hats and
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   not everything he does is privileged. And so not
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   everything we'd be seeking would be privileged and
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   would help understand his role in this boot camp. And,
   additionally, any entries of communications with Mr.
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   Hefetz would be on the privilege log and would
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   substantiate the claims of privilege as they relate to
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   the 2004 boot camp.
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            THE COURT:
                        Okay, but Mr. Devine has, there's
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   going to be a lot of different privileged type of
   communications in his email because he's in-house IT
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   counsel. So that's, are you suggesting that the search
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   be restricted to a very confined set of
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   communications?
             MR. PEJIC: Yes, Your Honor, in fact, we'd be
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   happy to provide search terms.
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                        What do you think that, why do you
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             THE COURT:
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   think that he has relevant information?
             MR. PEJIC: Well he supposedly organized and
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 9
   prepared a Power Point that was presented at the 2004 boot
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    camp, but he prepared this power point along with Gil
   Kovalski, I'm sorry about the pronunciation, who is just an
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    inventor and businessperson and, for instance, that actual
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    Power Point has been withheld as privilege but we have no
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    idea who attended the meetings, who it was presented to. And
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    we believe that even that document isn't privileged in
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    totality because it was authored by a businessperson and an
17
    in-house corporate counsel. So we would believe that that
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    would shed a lot of light on what was said at that 2004 boot
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    camp and give a broader understanding of whether what we
20
   believe is a commercial statement is actually a privileged
21
    statement and a response to a request for legal advice.
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             THE COURT: Well so the Power Point that's at
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    issue was, is on the privilege log?
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             MR. PEJIC: Correct, Your Honor, but it only
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   has two authors and no recipients.
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            THE COURT: Okay. Because it sounds like it
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   wasn't sent to anybody, it sounds like it was shown at
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   a meeting.
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            MR. PEJIC: Correct, Your Honor.
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            THE COURT: So do you know what happened at
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   the meeting, are there agendas or anything else?
            MR. PEJIC: We've received approximately ten
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   documents or so related to that meeting and we have a
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   list of proposed attendees and Mr. Devine did not take
   part in that aspect of it. And we have one slide deck
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   that doesn't shown Mr. Devine, and other than that, we
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   have some follow-up emails and none of which actually
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   refer to Mr. Devine. And what was discussed there was
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   presumably business strategy as well as some legal
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   strategy. We're not saying that there's no privileged
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   information in that Power Point, we're just saying
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   it's highly unlikely that that Power Point is
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   privileged in its entirety. And so that's just
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   another reason why we believe it would be appropriate
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   to search Mr. Devine's records pursuant to a very
   limited search.
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            THE COURT: Let me hear from GE on that?
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            MR. BRIAN LANCIAULT: Your Honor, this is Mr.
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   Lanciault. I think, you know, part of the issue here
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1 PROCEEDINGS 13 is, you know, the parties are producing privilege logs 2 3 on a rolling basis. So I suspect, and Mr. Godshalk 4 alluded to this earlier, that, you know, we're still doing a privilege review and there might be some 5 residual documents produced from that. There's, of 6 7 course, going to be more documents logged that will probably shed some light on this. 8 9 The other point is that, you know, to the 10 extent there are non-privileged, you know, documents about this boot camp, as Mr. Pejic acknowledged, you 11 12 know, Gil Kovalski is a non-attorney, he's a custody 13 who we've collected from, we've produced non-14 privileged files from his, documents from his files. 15 And so, you know, we think that, it's GE's position 16 that to go further to collect from Mr. Devine who, you 17 know, is lead IP counsel or was lead IP counsel during 18 the relevant time at GE is, you know, more burdensome 19 and outside the scope of Rule 26 where we're going to 20 have to sift through thousands of likely privileged 21 and potentially not relevant documents, you know, 22 simply for I guess the exercise of logging them to, 23 you know, to satisfy what seems to be Spectrum's 24 curiosity here. 25 We have documents from attendees at the boot

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   camp. As he said, they have an email that shows the
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   attendees or some of the attendees that were there and
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   otherwise, you know, we'll be logging whatever
   additional files we have that involve Mr. Devine to
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   the extent they're privileged, to the extent they're
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   not, and they, you know, they'll be produced.
            THE COURT: Okay. So I don't believe that
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   it's appropriate at this point to add Mr. Devine as a
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   custodian. You have not received all of the privilege
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   logs yet and, furthermore, you have received non-
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   privileged documents related to the meeting, Mr.
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   Pejic, and you can depose individuals about what
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   happened at the meeting and then after those
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   depositions, after you've had a look at the full
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   privilege log, then maybe you would have a better
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   case. But right now you haven't demonstrated why the
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   information would be not redundant or proportional to
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   the needs of the case given the other information
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   that's been produced about this meeting. And also,
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   it's premature, the request is premature because the
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   production of documents regarding the meeting is not
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   done.
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            So I'm not going to require GE to take a look
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   at, to add Mr. Devine as a custodian. If later in
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   discovery there's good cause to revisit this, you can
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   raise it again, but at this point I don't think you've
   made the case to add him as a custodian.
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                          Okay, this is Mr. Pejic, thank
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             MR. PEJIC:
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   you, Your Honor. May I ask one question of defendants,
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   though, can they please confirm that they're not withholding
   a list of the attendees or any agenda from that 2004 boot
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          Because we certainly haven't received anything like
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   that. We've had --
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             THE COURT: Well, again, Mr. Pejic, that's
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   something you can talk about with a meet and confer. What
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   I've heard is that they are not done producing the documents
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   yet. So both sides have a requirement to let you know if
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   they're withholding documents, so I don't think we need to
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   take up more time on this.
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             So let's go to GE's agenda items. So, one, GE
   thinks that it's missing documents. So it's not clear to me
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   whether this issue has been fully resolved from your letter.
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   It seems like some of the things have been resolved but not
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   all, so who wants to address this from GE's side?
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             MR. JEFFREY METZCAR: Good morning, Your Honor,
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   this is Jeff Metzcar. You're correct, the parties had
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   a meet and confer on this issue on Monday. I believe
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   that we've made progress on some of the items but
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1 PROCEEDINGS 16 there is one particular category of documents that I 2 3 think we need to raise with you now. Defendants have requested documents pertaining to two recent disputes 4 between the plaintiff and a related entity, Molecular 5 Dynamics. 6 7 Molecular Dynamics claims that it, not the 8 plaintiff, possesses the right to use the trade 9 secrets in this case and, therefore, that plaintiff's 10 Veriton product infringes Molecular Dynamics' 11 intellectual property rights. You know, the fact, 12 well, the facts and arguments that Molecular Dynamics 13 would present in those disputes to support its claim that plaintiff does not have the right to make and 14 15 sell the Veriton and does not have the right to use 16 the very trade secrets that plaintiff has accused GE 17 of misappropriating, those facts and arguments would 18 be highly relevant to this case. Not only to 19 plaintiff's standing, but also to the issue of 20 plaintiff's request for damages. 21 So during the last conference with this Court, plaintiff, plaintiff's counsel represented that it was 22 23 not withholding any responsive documents. Now we know 24 that plaintiff is withholding all documents relating 25 to this category on the basis of relevance, and that's

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  why we bring the issue to the Court's attention.
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           THE COURT: Okay, let me hear from Spectrum.
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           MR. PEJIC: Okay, this is Mr. Pejic.
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13 MR. PEJIC: This is Mr. Pejic, correct, Your 14 Honor. 15 THE COURT: Okay. And so, and what is the 16 stage where the, what's the status of those two 17 separate disputes? 18 MR. PEJIC: This is Mr. Pejic again, the BBI 19 action was resolved in Spectrum's favor and the Court 20 found that the party is seeking a worldwide freeze order to keep Spectrum from selling the business or 21 22 otherwise conducting commercial activities was denied 23 for a lack of evidence. And one of the interesting 24 things that makes it very clear that ownership was not at 25 issue is in the final order the judge, the high court

1	PROCEEDINGS 19			
2	judge there in the BBI said that the official transcript			
3	indicates that "The learned judge had some difficulty			
4	navigating the facts of the applicable law. Learned			
5	counsel for the applicants affirmed the judge's initial			
6	understanding that the worldwide freeze order was being			
7	sought in support of a claim by applicants over ownership			
8	of intellectual property rights. That understanding was			
9	erroneous. The worldwide freeze order was being sought in			
10	support of a claim for damages for breach of contract.			
11	Consequently, it would appear learned counsel for the			
12	applicants and the learned judge were speaking at cross			
13	purposes for a large part of the hearing. Later in the ex			
14	parte hearing the learned judge realized the correct basis			
15	for the application, he then accepted apparently			
16	uncritically the applicant's assertion quantum of their			
17	damages would be at least \$100 million, whilst contained			
18	in an affidavit no cogent basis for this or any other			
19	figure was set out in this evidentiary vehicle." And then			
20	that said, "The lack of solid evidence of a risk of real			
21	dissipation is pivotal in my respectful judgment and			
22	requires a discharge of the worldwide freeze order. That			
23	will be the order of the Court." And that was in favor of			
24	Spectrum. So the judge			
25	THE COURT: So and that's the opinion that you			

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2 produced to GE?
           MR. PEJIC: Yes, Your Honor.
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           THE COURT: Okay, and then what's the status
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5 of the other issue?
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          MR. PEJIC:
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THE COURT: Yeah, I don't see, I don't see the relevance of this other dispute beyond the opinions that are issued, in my view that this is disproportionate to the needs of this case. If, you know, if it, you know, you can certainly subpoena somebody from these other entities to the extent that they think the trade secrets at issue in this case are their trade secrets, but I would think if that were the case they may be, you'd be making yourself, GE would be making itself a target. I take it these, because these trade secrets are something that Spectrums is saying that GE isn't properly using.

MR. METZCAR: Well, Your Honor, this is Jeff Metzcar again, you know, we've been attempting to get these documents since December of 2020, and the reason

1 PROCEEDINGS 23 2 why we've attempted to get them from plaintiff is 3 because the other entity involved, Molecular Dynamics, 4 is, I believe, a Bermuda entity. So obtaining discovery from them is not something that would be 5 6 simple. 7 We've been trying to get these documents, as I said, since December of 2020, and we repeatedly asked 8 9 whether Spectrum was withholding any of these 10 documents on the basis of relevance, or any of its 11 objections. As you know, we brought this up with the 12 Court in the last conference and we were told over and 13 over again that it was not withholding any responsive 14 documents. Only now have we learned that they are 15 being withheld on the basis of relevance and this 16 issue could have been addressed long, long ago. And 17 now we, you know, we find it prejudicial to GE to have 18 to attempt to obtain the same information from a third 19 party in Bermuda. 20 THE COURT: Well I don't, as I said, I don't, 21 I don't believe that GE's made the case that these 22 documents are relevant and proportional to the needs 23 of the case. So I'm not going to require production of 24 documents in this dispute, apart from the opinion, so 25 that you understand the outcome of those disputes. And

1 PROCEEDINGS 24 2 certainly you can explore in deposition, if you want, 3 a little bit more information to learn about that. And if you learn some information that would render 4 some of those documents important, you can re-raise it 5 with me. But right now I don't see how producing all 6 7 the underlying documents in those actions is relevant and (indiscernible). 8 9 Okay --10 MS. BUTLER: Your Honor, this is Marla Butler, 11 can we just request then that Spectrum produce that 12 opinion immediately upon its release? As the parties 13 are preparing to proceed with depositions, any delay 14 in getting that opinion once it issues would make it 15 more difficult for us to use it in this litigation. 16 THE COURT: Sure, yes, Spectrum should produce 17 the opinion within a week after it receives it. 18 MS. BROWNING: Thank you, Your Honor, and we 19 will do so. The only proviso I have with respect to that is if there is any confidential information of a 20 21 third party, that we don't have the, you know, the ability to provide to third parties about violating 22 23 the confidentiality concerns of the Swiss arbitration, 24 we would redact that out. But we will produce it, you 25 know, as soon as we can.

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            THE COURT:
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            MS. BROWNING: Within a week.
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            THE COURT:
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   redacted pursuant to a Swiss court order then, you
   know, that's, for confidentiality reasons, that's
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   okay.
            MS. BUTLER: Your Honor, if I could make one
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   other point in that regard, I think, you know, the
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   amount of redactions might really take out a lot of
   the substance. And if the party --
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            THE COURT: It's all hypothetical now, we
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   don't even know what, we have no idea what it is, so
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   let's table this issue and see what happens. We don't
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   even know when, I mean we have no idea when the Swiss
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   authorities are going to issue this. In my experience,
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   the Swiss legal processes move like molasses, so it
   may not be, it may not be in one or two months, it
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   could be longer. So let's see when they issue it and
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   then you can see if anything needs to be redacted, and
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   then you can raise the issue, but let's not argue
   about hypotheticals right now.
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            Okay, so then this was the key issue, I think
   the other issues were resolved related to documents
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   that GE was seeking, is that right?
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            MR. METZCAR:
                           This is Jeff Metzcar again, I
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   think we have made progress and nothing else needs to
   be addressed on this call.
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            THE COURT: Okay. Now I want to hear more
   about depositions, have you scheduled depositions,
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   what's coming up?
            MR. PEJIC: Your Honor, plaintiffs have one
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   more issue that got skipped as we were going between
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   letters and it deals with the alternate channels of
   communication. And my colleague, if the Court will
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   indulge us, my colleague, Ms. Pfifferling, I'm sorry,
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   will be addressing it.
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            THE COURT: Okay.
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            MS. DANIELLE PFIFFERLING: Your Honor, this is
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   Ms. Pfifferling. This issue is on the agenda letter on
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   page 2, the second full paragraph.
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            THE COURT:
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            MS. PFIFFERLING: And this relates to the
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   alternate communication channels and this really does
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   relate to the interrogatory that Spectrum served and that
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   is Exhibit E. And if you have that exhibit handy --
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            THE COURT: Yes, hang on, let me just go to it,
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   I have the judgment, okay, go ahead.
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            MS. PFIFFERLING: So Exhibit E is Spectrum's
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   interrogatory number 4, on page 2 it really defines
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   alternate communication channels. And there we are
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   defining it as being a server, database, FTP site,
   file sharing services, local drives, removable storage
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   drives, network drives and also cloud based files. And
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   then on page 3, we do give non-limiting examples of
   any alternate communication channels. And these are where
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   you see the Romanettes,
           whether you're on, (iii)
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   General Electric, which seems to be a password, (v) which
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   But these are examples, we are citing GE's Bates ranges as
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   examples of what we are calling alternative communication
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   channels.
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            THE COURT: Okay.
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            MS. PFIFFERLING: But then if you turn to our
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   interrogatory number 4, which his on page 5, what
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   we're asking GE is just to identify any of these
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   alternate communication channels that were used by the
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   GE diligence personnel to send, receive, store
   information related to the Spotlight Project, which
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   was the due diligence project, and the Star Guide
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   Project, which is GE's imitation device.
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            And if you look at Exhibit D, which is GE's
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1 PROCEEDINGS 28 2 response to our rog 4, let me know when you have that 3 open? 4 THE COURT: Yes. MS. PFIFFERLING: So on page 5 of Exhibit D, 5 that is GE's objections. Page 6 is their substantive 6 7 response. Paragraph 1, that last sentence, they just simply identify very broad and general network drives 8 9 which is email, FTP sites, (indiscernible) local 10 drives, computer drives and GE networks. That is not 11 what our interrogatory was asking for, they were using 12 very broad and general terms, we're asking for the 13 specific locations and drives where this information 14 was stored. We did have a meet and confer, we asked 15 defendants about it, they seemed to be confused on the 16 meaning of alternate communication channels when we were 17 very specific regarding that definition, and then they responded in their rog with just a very broad and general 18 19 language. And we would like for them to supplement their 20 Exhibit B, which is their rog response to number 4, to 21 supplement, to be very specific, similar to how Spectrum was 22 with defining this term, be very specific on these network 2.3 drives where this information was stored. 24 And also, if you look at the next paragraph and 25 GE's response, they do say that this information can be

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   obtained through the metadata accompanying these documents
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   that they have produced. And they said that they have,
   including the folder paths, however, we just discovered last
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   night when we were looking at folder paths for some of the
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   documents, there is text in that folder path. However,
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   that text for the folder path and text in the file
   name is exactly the same. And so it appears that
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   actually the text in the folder path that was
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   provided, that is not the text of the folder path,
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   that seems to be the text of the file name. And we
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   had our vendor go back and check the original load
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   files from GE's production and confirm that they have
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   not produced the folder paths of their documents. So
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   we're asking now for GE to supplement their rog
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   response number 4 and also provide an overlay of what
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   documents that they have produced, provide an overlay
   of the folder path.
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            THE COURT: Okay. So well it sounds like this
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   is new information about the folder paths, that there
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   seemed to have been some hiccup in that, but let me
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   hear from GE on this.
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            MR. GODSHALK: Yeah, Your Honor, this is Jesse
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   Godshalk. Right, with regard to the folder path
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   issue, I mean certainly I can have our vendor look at
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1 PROCEEDINGS 30 that, this is the first I've heard of it, I didn't 2 3 know we had an issue with regard to that. but with 4 regard to the other things that were raised, Your Honor, this term, alternate communication channels, 5 quite frankly, it is probably the most confusingly 6 7 defined term that I have ever come across in my practice. It is two sentences long -- it's two 8 9 sentences, each with multiple subparts and footnotes 10 stretching for more than a page of text. And read 11 literally, the term encompasses all channels of 12 communication, so that would be telephone, phone, 13 mail, wire, computers, any type of, you know, like 14 subgroups within computers, whether it's networks, 15 that GE used during the due diligence period from 2009 16 to 2012, and in developing its spec device over the 17 past decade. So we're looking for all channels of 18 communication that GE used for more than a ten year 19 period. That is so broad and difficult to pin down that it is unworkable. 20 21 The definition that they've provided also is 22 internally inconsistent because it includes as 23 examples of means of communication, things that are, such as external storage devices that are not means of 24 25 communication. So I mean they've defined it as means

1 PROCEEDINGS 31 2 of communication and then included examples that are 3 not means of communication. So I don't know, we don't know, what is actually within the scope of this term. 4 And, you know, we told them that in writing and in our 5 meet and confers and we tried our best to provide a, 6 7 you know, reasonable response to interrogatory number 8 4. 9 You know, if they actually want us to list, 10 for instance, every single phone number, every single laptop, every single network device that GE has used 11 12 in its development of its spec device and during due 13 diligence over more than a ten year period, quite 14 frankly, I think that's disproportionate to the needs 15 of the case. I don't even know how, Your Honor, I 16 would go about doing that. I mean the number of hours 17 involved, I couldn't even begin to estimate how long 18 it would take for me to figure out, and many of these 19 things probably do not even exist anymore. I mean the 20 computers that were being used in 2009, they probably 21 do not exist. In fact, I am sure that there are of them that simply do not exist, they've been retired, 22 23 destroyed. I don't know how I would go back and figure 24 out what computer equipment was being used more than a 25 decade ago.

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            THE COURT: So let me, I don't even understand
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   why this is needed, why does Spectrum need this
   information?
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            MS. PFIFFERLING: Your Honor, if you could
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   look at the Exhibit C, let me know when you have that
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   ready?
            THE COURT: C as in cookie?
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            MS. PFIFFERLING: Yes.
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            THE COURT: Yes.
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            MS. PFIFFERLING: So in Exhibit C,
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   that,
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   figure out what was this
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   keep in mind Yaron was one of the key players, he's an
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   inventor on some of those GE patents and he was also
   an outside consultant for GE. So we're trying to
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   understand how GE was, you know, communicating with
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   these external consultants because it seems that this
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   was not a form of communication that's not on GE's
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   server.
            THE COURT: I have a very specific question,
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   why don't, I mean you can just ask a deponent, you
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   know, what was this. A lot of times this just means
   like there was a, you know, a tunnel email, a
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   protected email chain, but let me --
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            MR. GREENBLUM: Your Honor, this is Neil
   Greenblum, can I just add one thing?
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            THE COURT: Sure.
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            MR. GREENBLUM: Let's remember that this case
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   is about misappropriation of trade secrets and it's
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   premature now to give you all of the examples where
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   this has happened. But remember that a number of
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   individuals, when they want to talk about what they
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   are doing, say let's go off to our private channel for
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   this. So this is not a case of just harassing, I want
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   Your Honor to realize we're just not harassing GE to
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   waste their time, these were the key individuals,
   they're communicating information that they shouldn't
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   have been communicating at this time period. That's
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   the point, this time period, should not have been
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   communicating. And they know they're doing something
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   wrong and they're going off channel, that's what this
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   is about.
             THE COURT: I understand that point, but I
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   want to ask GE, looking at Exhibit C, have you
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   inquired with anybody from GE Healthcare, Gil Kovalski
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   or Jean-Paul Bouhnik
           is, do they know?
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            MR. GODSHALK: Your Honor, this is Jesse
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   Godshalk again, I mean I, we did not specifically show
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   this document, for instance, to Gil Kovalski or Jean-Paul
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   Bouhnik and say
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   but I can tell you that we performed collection interviews
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   that I participated in of both of these individuals and
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   asked them about every possible location for, you know,
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   documents that are responsive and that will be relevant in
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   this case. And asked them, for instance, you know, about
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   network drives, shared drives, you know, any sort of
   location for, you know, electronic data, where is it and
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   how do we get it. So, yeah, that's what we did, Your
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   Honor.
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             THE COURT: Okay. So what I'd like you to do
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   is I'd like you just to ask these individuals was
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   there some other, do they know what this refers to and
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   were there, I'm going to refer to it as offline
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   communications about the issues here in the case,
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   right, about this patent or other trade secrets. Just
   ask and see.
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            MR. GODSHALK:
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            THE COURT: Okay?
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            MR. GODSHALK:
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            THE COURT: I think first do that because the
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   interrogatory as phrased is overbroad and not
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   proportional to the needs of the case. I do understand
   why plaintiffs are asking the question, let's start
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   with you interviewing these folks and seeing if there
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   were private offline communications that GE doesn't
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   know about, that you didn't know about before.
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   Sometimes, you know, even the best witness interviews,
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   you learn something new during the course of a
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   litigation, right?
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            MR. GODSHALK: Yes, Your Honor.
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            THE COURT: Okay, so why don't you check on
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   that and then we'll take it from there.
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            MR. GODSHALK: Will do.
            THE COURT: So let's next hear about the, I
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   want to hear next about the deposition schedule.
            MR. PEJIC: Well, Your Honor, this is Mr.
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   Pejic and Spectrum, well, Spectrum and GE have been
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   talking for a while on the various issues.
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   we exchanged lists of witnesses. GE objected to
   Spectrum's number of witnesses and has not provided
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   the availability of the witnesses while the parties
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   are negotiating what deposition limits are in place.
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   So to date, I'm not aware of GE actually sending
   anything to Your Honor, but Spectrum last night filed
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   its proposal for deposition limits. And the reason,
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   and it expresses the reason why Spectrum's position is
   proper in view of the complexity of the case and the
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   number of witnesses and explains how defendant's offer
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   that's currently on the table, it's our understanding,
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   although they haven't submitted anything to the Court,
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   of 12 total fact depositions, is just unworkable
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   because, at the end of the day, defendants have listed
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   12 people on their initial disclosures and if Spectrum
   is limited to 12 depositions, GE is unilaterally
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   handcuffing Spectrum on who they have to depose. And
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   to top this off, GE also refuses to agree that a trial
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   witness can't appear unless they are previously
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   deposed. Spectrum had made that proposal to help limit
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   the number of witnesses because that would give us
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   some comfort if we didn't take a deposition of someone
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   that they wouldn't appear at trial to contradict any
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37 1 PROCEEDINGS 2 testimony. 3 But I think that Spectrum has set our position out in our letter and I'm happy to speak to any 4 5 questions Your Honor might have about that, but I don't know how to respond to GE because there is not 6 7 currently anything on the table that I'm aware of. THE COURT: Okay, well, I mean what I want to 8 9 know is I want to hear from GE, why haven't you gotten 10 back to dates. There's clearly some witnesses that both sides know need to be deposed and those 11 12 depositions should be scheduled. 13 MS. BUTLER: Yes, Your Honor, so neither side 14 has provided availability of their witnesses. We've 15 given names to Spectrum of the individuals we'd like 16 to depose, we haven't gotten availability of those 17 witnesses either. The reason GE hasn't provided 18 availability is because we believe we needed to iron 19 out what the limits of depositions were going to be. Spectrum has identified 16 people that it wants to 20 21 depose and it indicated that they're leaving the door 22 open to depose more. So until we know how many 23 depositions are going to be permitted in this case, we 24 don't know whose availability we should be looking to 25 discover.

1 PROCEEDINGS 38 2 On June 3, Your Honor, we suggested to 3 Spectrum that the parties submit to Your Honor a joint letter with the parties' differing views on what the 4 deposition limits should be so that Your Honor could 5 decide it and we could move to scheduling. We asked 6 7 Spectrum to join us in that pleading at least three times over the course of the month and what we got 8 9 yesterday was a last minute letter from Spectrum with 10 obviously no time for GE to provide a response with 11 its position as it relates to deposition limits. But 12 here is GE's position as it relates to limits. 13 So, you know, the 120 hours that Spectrum has 14 proposed, if we're looking at 7 hour depositions that 15 would be 17 depositions. Or if Spectrum wanted to 16 depose witnesses for only 4 hours, that would be a 17 total of 30 depositions. And the reason that's 18 problematic is not only because the number of 19 witnesses and depositions that far exceed what the 20 Federal Rules of Civil Procedure allow, but combine 21 that with Spectrum's insistence that GE bring all of 22 its witnesses to the United States for deposition in 23 person. So Spectrum could decide to depose 30 GE individuals and depose those individuals for 2 hours, 3 24 25 hours and require them to travel to the United States for

1 PROCEEDINGS 39 deposition. We think that is overly burdensome on GE and 2 3 we think that depositions of individuals who are in Israel should take place remotely. One thing that we have 4 learned in this pandemic is that remote depositions do 5 work. The technology has gotten more efficient, more 6 7 proficient and we think that witnesses who are in Israel should not have to undergo the incredible 8 9 disruption personally and professionally to come here 10 to the United States to be deposed. 11 On this issue of the parties or Spectrum 12 insisting that only witnesses that have been deposed can 13 testify at trial, Your Honor, what that does is it puts 14 in the hands of one party who the other party can call 15 to trial. So if Spectrum wants to prevent GE from 16 calling an important witness, Spectrum could just 17 choose not to depose that witness. 18 Trial witnesses are determined by who the 19 parties disclose. GE has served disclosures with the 20 individuals that we believe at this time may be 21 testifying at trial. And so what GE is proposing is 22 12 individual depositions per side, and if we wanted 23 to turn that into hours, Your Honor, GE would be happy 24 to do that. So, you know, 7 hour deposition limit 25 times 12, 84 hours of depositions. But on top of

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   that, GE is agreeing that each side would get 25 hours
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   of 30(B)(6) depositions. We think that those two
   components combined are perfectly sufficient, 12
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   individual depos or 84 hours, plus 25 hours of
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   30(B)(6) deposition are sufficient to cover the issues
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   in this case.
            THE COURT:
                         Um-hmm.
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                         Your Honor, this is Mr. Pejic, may
            MR. PEJIC:
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   I respond?
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            THE COURT:
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            MR. PEJIC:
                         Okay, as an initial matter, GE
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   seems to be picking and choosing from Spectrum's
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   proposal. Spectrum's proposal sets out that if the
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   depositions are taken remotely they can be up to 10
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   hours, and so that is 12 depositions. And as far as
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   the witnesses in Israel, Spectrum has said that we're
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   willing to travel to Israel to take the depositions,
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   we would not require the GE witnesses to come to the
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   US.
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            And, moreover, Ms. Butler made it very clear
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   with the 12 deposition limit and their initial
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   disclosures, Spectrum fully intends to depose everyone
   on GE's initial disclosure list. I mean it would be
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   malpractice otherwise because those folks don't always
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   show up at trial as witnesses. What we're concerned
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   about is the fact that we can't depose anyone under
   GE's offer other than those listed on their initial
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   disclosures such that in reality it's GE that's
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   dictating who can be deposed, because Spectrum would
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   be remiss if we didn't depose everyone on GE's initial
   disclosures. So it's really illusory in the sense
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   that GE's 12 deposition limit handcuffs Spectrum and
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   requires them to take depositions only of the people
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   identified by GE without the ability to take
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   additional depositions, where it is GE has the ability
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   to take significantly more depositions of Spectrum
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   because Spectrum has four individuals listed on their
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   initial disclosures.
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            So this truly is a situation where there's a
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   huge disproportionality. Spectrum tried to strike a
   middle line here to give both parties some flexibility
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   and add proportionality and fairness to the offers,
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   and that's why we have proposed 120 hours if done
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   remotely. If the parties agreed to take the
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   depositions in person, we're willing to talk about
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   that being a 7 hour limit and reevaluating the hour
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   limit. And here, in this case, remote depositions
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   aren't going to be as simple as other situations
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   because it involves highly technical information,
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   people with English as a second language and perhaps,
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   you know, very strong accents, and also could involve
   translation issues. There's no way we could take a 7
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   hour deposition with translation issues. And the
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   documents are likely going to be a lot of schematics
   and engineering drawings because of the technical
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   nature of everything, which does not lend itself to
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   being put on screens. It's very hard to read and how
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   could you magnify and everything else.
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            So at the end of the day, Spectrum is willing
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   to work with GE and certainly insure that the limits
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   are appropriate and I think that that, we submit that
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   that's what we've done in our letter.
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            THE COURT: Okay, so what I want you to do is
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   I want you to schedule some depositions in August and
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   September. I certainly encourage you to cooperate to
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   have virtual where they make sense, but I also
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   understand why both sides may want to have some of
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   these in person. In terms of the limit, I don't -- I
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   understand what GE is saying, that you want to have a
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   limit before you schedule, but at the same time,
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   that's a little bit arbitrary because what's important
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   is to get to the merits of the case, who are the key
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   witnesses that Spectrum wants and that GE wants, and
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   why are they important, why are the depositions not
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   redundant, why are they proportional to the needs of
   the case. So I don't know, I don't have that
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   information. What I, I mean I have the letter, but I
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   don't, maybe I'm missing it --
            MS. BUTLER: Can I offer a suggestion, Your
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   Honor?
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            THE COURT:
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   need to have, I need to understand who are the
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   witnesses that Spectrum presently wants to depose and
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   what is the, what are the topics on which they want to
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   be deposed. And then who are the witnesses that GE
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   presently wants to depose, that's what I want to
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   understand.
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            In terms of the limit, 25 hours of 30(B)(6)
   seems reasonable to me because that's, you know,
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   that's more than three days really of deposition on
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   30(B)(6) topics. So that seems to me to be reasonable,
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   25 hours of 30(B)(6) for each side. In terms of the
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   individual fact witnesses though, I really don't, you
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   know, I understand 12, I understand 12, why you're
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   proposing a limit of 12, but it may be that some
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   additional ones are needed. And 7 versus 10 hours,
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1 PROCEEDINGS 44 2 there may be some witnesses that are shorter and some 3 that are longer. And I appreciate that there can be a slowdown because of translation issues. 4 So what I'd like is for, personally, I think 5 that you should meet and confer a little bit more on 6 7 this. I think what plaintiff should do is provide the list of people you currently think that you want to 8 9 depose and GE should also provide the list of people 10 it wants to depose. And then if you have a, if you 11 want to exchange 30(B)(6) notices you should do that, 12 and then you can have a more informed discussion about 13 whether some of the people should be taken off and 14 limits from that perspective. I think that's a better 15 way to go about it because you're going to be focusing 16 on the information that you need rather than arbitrary 17 limits. MR. PEJIC: Understood, Your Honor. 18 19 MS. BUTLER: And, Your Honor, we do have the 20 list of individuals that Spectrum wants to depose and 21 Spectrum has our list of individuals that we want to depose. We can certainly provide 30(B)(6) topics, as 22 23 well. And just because I know that the parties since 24 June 2 have been trying to resolve this issue, can we 25 at least get some direction from the Court as to how

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   many witnesses we can start scheduling depositions
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        Because if Spectrum sticks to the 16 and we're
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   still at, you know, 12 depositions, then we don't know
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   which witnesses we should prioritize, if there's a cap
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   for now at least.
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            THE COURT: How many witnesses are on GE's
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   list?
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            MS. BUTLER: Five, Your Honor, plus Rule
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   30(B)(6).
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            THE COURT: Okay, and Spectrum has 16 plus
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   30 (B) (6)?
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            MS. BUTLER: Exactly.
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            THE COURT: Yes, so right now schedule 10, you
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   can schedule 10 each, that's consistent with the
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   rules, and then let's talk about what's next.
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            MS. BUTLER: That sounds good, Your Honor.
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            MR. PEJIC: Your Honor, this is Mr. Pejic, I
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   just want to point out that 16 depositions is only 4
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   individuals not listed on GE's initial disclosures. So
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   we --
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            THE COURT: I understand that, Mr. Pejic,
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   you're going to get discovery that is relevant and
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   proportional and that you need to prosecute the claim.
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   You're going to get that, that's going to be
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   proportional, but I need to understand a little bit
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   more who these additional ones, you know, are and
   whether they're necessary. But go ahead and schedule
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   up to 10 and I want you to exchange 30(B)(6) topics
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   within the next, let's see, the 4th of July holiday is
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   upon us so I want you to exchange those 30(B)(6)
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   topics by July 14.
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            MS. BUTLER: Will do, Your Honor.
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            THE COURT: Okay?
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            MR. PEJIC: Yes, Your Honor.
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            THE COURT:
                        So do a simultaneous exchange so
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   that you understand, because I think that's important,
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   too, it may be that some of the fact witnesses will
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   actually answer some of the 30(B)(6) topics, as well,
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   and you all should know that. And I hear why it may
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   make sense to conduct some depositions in Israel.
   Israel fully, you know, they have a very high
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   vaccination rate, so I'm not sure what the situation
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   is with travel to Israel now, so you may, if there's
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   going to be depositions in Israel, you obviously
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   should schedule them to happen at, you know, a time
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   where you don't have to make multiple trips.
            MR. PEJIC: Yes, Your Honor.
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            THE COURT:
                        So I want you to take a look at
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   that, take a look at the 30(B)(6), and then I will
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   make a decision about the additional depositions. But,
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   from my perspective, 7 to maybe 10 hours is not
   necessarily problematic, particularly when you're
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   dealing with a translator and some of these technical
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   things. Obviously, you should try to be strategic
   about the questions in your depositions, try to limit
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   them to 7 hours but, as we all know as litigators,
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   sometimes you need just a little bit of extra time. So
   I expect the sides to cooperate on that.
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            MS. BUTLER: Will do, Your Honor. One
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   question, Spectrum filed a letter last night to the
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   Court proposing deposition limits and so we've got
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   three days I guess to respond to that. Are you
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   expecting a response to that letter or would you like
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   us to wait until, you know, the parties have kind of
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   hopefully made some progress on this, just how would
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   you like us to handle that letter?
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            THE COURT: I don't want you to respond to
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   that letter because right now what I'm asking you to
   do is exchange those deposition topics and talk about
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   scheduling of up to ten of the witnesses. And,
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   Spectrum, you can prioritize which ones. And this does
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   not at all mean that you can't depose other people,
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   I'm not making that decision yet, but prioritize,
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   okay?
            MR. PEJIC: Yes, Your Honor, thank you very
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   much.
            THE COURT: And then we can address it at the
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   next, I mean by this time we'll be able to address it
   at the next status conference.
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            MS. BUTLER: Understood, Your Honor.
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            THE COURT: Okay?
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                         Thank you, Your Honor, very good.
            MR. PEJIC:
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            THE COURT: Okay, anything else that Spectrum
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   would like to raise?
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            MS. BROWNING: Your Honor, actually this is one
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   other issue that we would like to raise and we have
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   not raised this with the other side, so I apologize
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   for that. But you had originally offered before to
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   take on some of the motions or pending items that were
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   in this case. And we actually would like to propose,
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   and obviously we'll give, you know, this is somewhat
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   up to GE as well, but we would like to propose that
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   you take on the pending motion to dismiss, Mr. Hefetz
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   as a defendant. It's currently pending with the
   District Court Judge, but we, if it's possible we
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   would be amenable to having you take that over and
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   decide it?
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            THE COURT: Okay, so why don't you all discuss
   that, if you want me to handle that motion you can
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   submit a consent for a particular motion and you can
   submit that at any time, okay? But you don't have to
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   make any decisions right now, if you want that to
   happen then submit that I would say, what's the date
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   of that motion, that was --
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            MR. PEJIC: This is Mr. Pejic, it was this
   spring, Your Honor, I apologize, this just became
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   apparent during the discussion today, but I don't have
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   the docket number. We're happy to provide it to Your
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   Honor.
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            THE COURT: Hold on, I have the partial motion
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   to dismiss the counterclaim.
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            MR. PEJIC: Yes, that would be the pleading,
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   Your Honor.
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            MS. BROWNING: Right, with discovery advancing
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   we just would like the ruling on Hefetz, you know,
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   being in the case, and also to insure that there are
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   no, you know, documents being withheld because he is
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   still pending with this motion.
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            THE COURT: Yeah, hold on a second. Okay,
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   well, regardless, if you want me to do it and you want
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   a consent for that particular motion, you should
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   submit the consent form within a week.
            MS. BUTLER: And, Your Honor, this is Marla
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   Butler for the defendants, and we'll obviously talk to our
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   clients about what they'd like to do in that regard.
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             THE COURT: Absolutely, no repercussions if you
   don't consent, there's no problem if you don't want to. If
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   you want to, you can and Judge Broderick will sign, you
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   know, sign off on it.
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            MS. BUTLER: And, Your Honor, just to the point
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   that Ms. Browning made, so Mr. Hefetz, we have made
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   clear to Spectrum that he will be made available for
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   deposition. We are representing him, we have searched
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   his files, there's no Hefetz documents that are being
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   withheld on the basis of, you know, him not being a
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   party to this case. So there's no substantive
   consequence to that ruling not having been decided
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   yet, just so that that's clear.
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             THE COURT: There's no rush from
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    (indiscernible).
            MS. BUTLER: Exactly, Your Honor, because we
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   are, we're representing him, he's going to appear for
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   deposition, we searched his documents.
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             THE COURT: Okay, that's fine. So like I said,
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   there's no, there's no repercussions for not
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   consenting, if you want to, you can. So you can think
   about that, all right?
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            MS. BROWNING: Thank you, Your Honor.
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            THE COURT: Okay, anything else from GE?
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            MS. BUTLER: Nothing from us. Mr. Godshalk,
   have I left anything off?
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            MR. GODSHALK: No, I don't believe so.
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            MS. BUTLER: Have a great July 4, Your Honor.
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             THE COURT: Okay, great, have a good July 4,
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   everyone, we're adjourned.
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             (Whereupon, the matter is adjourned.)
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